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Inventors: TANZI *et al.*

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Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. SKGF Cover Letter;
2. Amendment and Reply to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121); and
3. A return postcard.

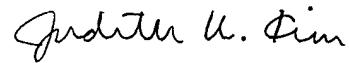
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Applicants received a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (37 C.F.R. § 1.121)

dated February 4, 2002, indicating that the Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111, filed October 3, 2001, failed to meet the requirements of 37 C.F.R. § 1.121. Accordingly, submitted herein are the claims as amended in the October 3 Amendment in the following format:

- (A) A clean version of each replacement paragraph/section/claim along with clear instructions for entry;
- (B) Starting on a separate page, appropriate remarks and arguments. 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 and MPEP 714; and
- (C) Starting on a separate page, a marked-up version entitled: "Version with markings to show changes made."

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this